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Former Doctor Sentenced to Five Years for Patient's Death, Botched Liposuction

A former doctor was sentenced today to five years in state prison for killing a patient and injuring another during liposuction surgeries at his Encino clinic, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Rachel Greene of the Forensic Science Section said Ehab Aly Mohamed, 48, was found guilty on Jan. 21 of one count each of involuntary manslaughter with great bodily injury and elder abuse in case LA075002.

In addition to the state prison sentence, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Michael Jesic of the Van Nuys Branch ordered Mohamed to pay more than \$5 million to one of the victim's families in compliance with a previously decided civil judgment.

Sharon Carpenter, 61, died in Mohamed's office on Aug. 22, 2010, following a liposuction operation in which she was given a lethal combination of lidocaine, fentanyl and oxycodone. The procedure lasted more than 10 hours, the prosecutor said.

On May 21, 2010, a 77-year-old female client had been the victim of another lengthy liposuction procedure in his office. That victim survived the surgery but had ongoing health issues as a result, the prosecutor added.

The doctor's office did not meet state-mandated safety standards governing equipment, staffing and emergency resources when he performed the surgeries on both clients, according to evidence presented at trial.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Medical Board of California.

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